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In re Application of: Bisgaard-Frantzen et al.

Confirmation No: 7527

Serial No.: 09/902,188

Group Art Unit: 1751

Filed: July 10, 2001

Examiner: Prouty

For: Amylase Variants

AMENDMENT FEE TRANSMITTAL

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment for the above-identified application in response to the Office Action mailed July 1, 2003.

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Office Action be extended for a period of three months from October 1, 2003 to January 1, 2004. The required fee for the extension is estimated to be \$950.

No additional claims fee is required.

Please charge the required extension fee, estimated to be \$950, to Novozymes North America, Inc., Deposit Account No. 50-1701. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: December 23, 2003

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